TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 972 - HB 1135

February 21, 2019

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes an advanced practice registered nurse (APRN) who provides services in a community mental health center to arrange for the required personal review of the APRN's charts by a collaborating physician in the office or practice site of the physician, or the required visit by a collaborating physician to any remote site, or both, via HIPAA-compliant electronic means rather than at the site of the clinic.

Authorizes a physician assistant (PA) authorized to prescribe drugs, who provides services in a community mental health center, to arrange for the required personal review of the PA's charts by a collaborating physician in the office or practice site of the physician, or the required visit by a collaborating physician to any remote site, or both, via HIPAA-compliant electronic means rather than at the site of the clinic.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Health, the proposed legislation will not impact any programs or policies of the Department or health related boards; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- The proposed legislation only applies to community mental health centers which are private organizations.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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